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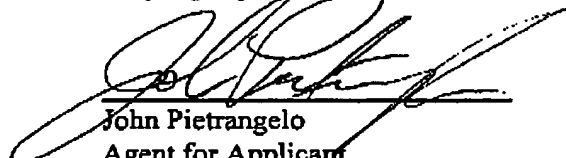
REMARKS

In the above-referenced Communication, the Patent Office advised the Applicant that the response filed on December 23, 2005 was "not fully responsive" because the Applicant did not provide support for the traversal of the Restriction issued on November 23, 2005. The Applicant acknowledges with appreciation the Patent Office's attempt to avoid an inadvertent omission in the Applicant's response. However, the Applicant has no further comment to provide in support of the traversal. If the Patent Office still finds this response not fully responsive, the Applicant requests that the traversal be withdrawn.

The Applicant also wishes to thank SPE Nicholas Lucchesi for his assistance in a phone conversation on April 6, 2006, during the absence of Mr. Mendez, in addressing this Communication.

Should any questions arise in connection with this Application, Applicant's Agent can be reached at the below-listed telephone number.

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